



## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUP

-2-



because they are better organized than existing government agencies. Some of these firms are Gura (Gdanska Agencja Lorska i Asekuracyjna -- Danzig Ocean Security agency), Atom, Nawigator, Baltyk and Agencja Baltycka. Arms manufacturers from abroad pay the brokers for their services through "Bank Polski" (National Bank of Poland). The Bank of Poland receives the payments in foreign currency, but the broker receives his payment in Polish currency from the Bank at the official rate of exchange. (In February 1947 it was 1300 z to 1.0 U.S.). By trading on the blackmarket the government can take 75% or more of the brokers' profit.

5. The export of cement is governed by the CAGP (Centralny Zarzad Cementowni Polskich -- Central Board for Polish Cement Factories) with a branch office in Trzeszcz.
6. Import of iron ore is made through the CZPi (Centralny Zarzad Przemyslu Hutniczego -- Central Board for Smelting Industry) with main offices in Oliwa, near Danzig. The government agency Pogat with its main office in Zo poty, near Danzig, manages the import of lumber. Gasoline, oil and grease are products which enter the country through Ukraine only. However, a government agency known as CPN (Centralna Produktyw Przemyslu Naftowego -- Central for Products of Oil Industry) with offices in Danzig, Gdynia and Stettin is set up to import these products.
7. The only steamship line is CAL in Gdynia located on Swietojanska St., the Gdynia-Ameryka Linia (Gdynia America Line), which has Polish and British capital investments. The Polish capital in the line is now in the hands of the Polish Government.
8. Shipping traffic in Danzig and Gdynia dealing with foreign countries, including UNRRA and repatriation shipping, is about 30% of its pre-war traffic strength. Foreign trade has been taken over by the government. Private importers and exporters now have insignificant positions in the government agencies. Polish Government authorities allow private enterprises only if the firm or individuals in these firms have capital in a foreign bank and if this capital can be used for trade to benefit the government. The government reserves the right to select the product or article to be imported. Persons who apply for passports to travel into foreign countries where they have capital and want to invest in foreign and domestic trade are carefully screened by the UB and the firm they represent must guarantee their return to Poland. Few private firms accept this type of bargaining.
9. In the autumn of 1946, the government agency known as the Association for Food Commodities made an agreement with a Swedish firm for the export of fruit jam. The first transport consisting of several tons of jam was put in emptied herring barrels. The Swedish firm refused to accept the herring-smelling jam which resulted in losses for the government and the termination of the agreement.
10. CUP (Glowny Urzad Morski) Main Sea Office, located in Trzeszcz, is directed by Mr. Nowicki, who was appointed to this post by the Ministry of Navigation and Foreign Trade.
11. The security of the port is a function of the SU which designates port guards and the Militia COP (Wojsko Ochrony Pogranicza -- Military Frontier Defense Unit).

This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Act, 50, U.S.C. 31 and 32; as amended. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law.

~~SECRET~~  
1947-4-15

**CONFIDENTIAL**